

ORDINANCE NO. 1720

AN ORDINANCE establishing a King County Office of Safety and Workmen's Compensation Administration; making an appropriation of \$27,581 to said office, and amending Ordinance No. 1431, Section 2, as amended.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. There is hereby established a King County Office of Safety and Workmen's Compensation Administration. The Office of Safety and Workmen's Compensation Administration shall receive administrative support and direction from and shall report to the King County Executive. The Manager of the Office of Safety and Workmen's Compensation Administration shall be appointed by the King County Executive and confirmed by the County Council.

SECTION 2. The responsibilities of the Office of Safety and Workmen's Compensation Administration shall be to:

- A. Develop and administer a management-employee participating safety program congruous to the newly enacted Washington State Industrial Safety and Health Act and designed to reduce or eliminate accidents, personal injuries or damage to property.
- B. Establish and maintain a motor vehicle fleet safety program, accident reporting process, and a review board procedure within all departments.
- C. Administer the County Self-Insured Workmen's Compensation Insurance System within the rules, regulations, and procedures as established by the Legislature and the Department of Labor and Industries, State of Washington.
- D. Provide all technical safety support pursuant thereto.

SECTION 3. The Manager or his authorized representatives shall:

- A. Investigate or supervise the investigation of all accidents resulting from department operations.

- 1 B. Establish and supervise procedures designed to
2 discover and control hazardous conditions and
3 unsafe work practices.
- 4 C. Inspect all properties and work areas and require
5 reasonable correction to safety deficiencies.
- 6 D. Select and approve purchase of all safety equip-
7 ment and establish safety specifications prior to
8 purchase of other equipment or machines.
- 9 E. Establish safety requirements in addition to mini-
10 mum state and local rules and regulations where
11 deemed necessary.
- 12 F. Review all employee suggestions submitted to the
13 Merit Awards Suggestion Program relating to safety
14 to ensure compatibility with federal, state and
15 local codes, rules and regulations.
- 16 G. Review the safety criteria on all proposed con-
17 struction projects to be accomplished by private
18 contractors.
- 19 H. Coordinate or provide training to employees in
20 first aid, driving, and other safety related
21 specialty fields.
- 22 I. Demand immediate cessation of work around any
23 operation or piece of equipment in which he be-
24 lieves a hazard exists creating imminent danger to
25 the employees involved.
- 26 J. Act as liaison between the County, the State
27 Department of Labor and Industries and the
28 Washington Traffic Safety Commission and to coor-
29 dinate activities toward compliance under the
30 Washington State Industrial Safety and Health Act,
31 and the Highway Safety Act of 1966.
- 32 K. To require department cooperation, assistance and
33 information deemed necessary in the discharge of

his responsibilities.

SECTION 4. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION 5. Ordinance No. 1431, Section 2, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

King County Office of Safety

and Workmen's Compensation

Administration

((\$--0--)) \$27,581

INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 18th day of

June, 1973.

PASSED this 9th day of July, 1973.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

John T. O'Brien
Chairman

ATTEST:

Deputy

Dorothy G. Owens
Administrator-Clerk
King County Council

APPROVED this 10th day of July, 1973.

Shirley J. Bellman
King County Executive